

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BROWN COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BOARD

Pursuant to Section 19.84 Wis. Stats, a regular meeting of the **Brown County Human Services Board** was held on Thursday, November 12, 2009 at the Brown County Community Treatment Center – 3150 Gershwin Drive, Green Bay, WI

Present: Tom Lund, Chairman; Barbara Bauer, Paula Geishirt, Helen Smits
Absent: JoAnn Grashberger, Dottie Schoenleber, Andy Williams, Maria Zehren
Also Present: Brian Shoup – Human Services Director
Judge Don Zuidmulder, Beth Robinson (Drug Court Coordinator)
Mary Johnson, Interim Administrator-Community Treatment Center

1. **Call Meeting to Order:**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tom Lund at 5:25 p.m.
As there was not a quorum, no business was conducted.

2. **Approve/Modify Agenda:**

3. **Approve Minutes of October 8, 2009 Human Services Board Meeting:**

4. **Drug Court Presentation:**

Judge Don Zuidmulder gave a presentation on the status of the Drug Court program in Brown County. He explained that tools used in the past to correct behavior such as the traditional probation, jail, and prison time have not always been successful in solving behavior problems. The drug court concept is to identify non-violent offenders, many with mental health problems, usually involved in property crimes in order to buy alcohol and drugs.

The Drug Court Team consisting of members of the criminal justice system and the drug treatment community work in a partnership to structure treatment intervention around the authority and personal involvement of a Drug Court Judge. The program is dependent on a non-adversarial courtroom atmosphere where the judge and team work together toward a common goal of breaking the cycle of drug/alcohol abuse and criminal behavior.

Participants pay a \$40 per month fee, are expected to find employment, and be responsible to the program guidelines. The goal is to have 15 to 30 in the program. Drug Court meets every Friday at 2 p.m. in Branch One (3rd floor) of the Brown County Courthouse. Participants discuss their issues and concerns. The Board was invited to attend any of these sessions.

5. **Family Care Update:**

6. **Community Treatment Center Update:**

7. **Financial Report:**

8. **Bellin Hospital Statistical Update:**

9. **Mental Health Center Statistical Update:**

10. **Contract Update:**

11. **Director's Report:**
12. **Any Other Matters:**
Next Meeting: Thursday, December 10, 2009
5:15 p.m. – Sophie Beaumont Building – Board Room A

December Agenda:
Board Attendance
13. **Adjourn Business Meeting:**
Meeting adjourned 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rae G. Knippel
Recording Secretary